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JP 3131115	[11/17/2000]	<u>01/31/2001</u>
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However, the correct Japanese Publications were submitted with the IDS on March 15, 2004.

Also, it is noted that in the IDS filed on March 15, 2004, the foreign patent office report was referred to as a European Office Action. However, the more accurate title is a European Search Report.

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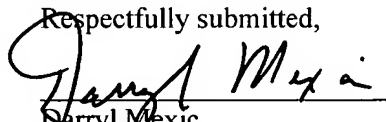
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